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MAIZE PATHOGENESIS-RELATED POLYNUCLEOTIDE AND METHODS

OF USE

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 3, 2002, in which the Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 1-8 and 10-13, drawn to an isolated nucleic acid, a recombinant expression cassette, transgenic plant containing it, and a method of modulating the level of PR1-C10 in said plant, classified in class 800, subclass 278, for example.
- II. Claim 9, drawn to an isolated protein, classified in class 530, subclass 377, for example.

Applicant hereby provisionally elects without traverse to prosecute the claims of Group I (Claims 1-8 and 10-13), drawn to an isolated nucleic acid, a recombinant expression cassette, transgenic plant containing it, a method of modulating the level of PR1-C10 in said plant, and expressly reserves the right to file divisional applications or take such other appropriate measures deemed necessary to protect the inventions in the remaining claims.

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Should the Examiner have further questions or comments with respect to examination of this case, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned attorney so that further examination of this application can be expedited.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those, which may be otherwise provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-1852.

Respectfully submitted,

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